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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 14, 2018

TO: Local and Intermediate School District Superintendents
Public School Academy Directors

FROM: Venessa A. Keesler, Deputy Superintendent 
Division of Educator, Student, and School Supports

SUBJECT: Side by Side Comparison of 2007 Social Studies Standards and the Proposed Revisions

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is in the process of updating the Michigan Social Studies Standards from the current 2007 Standards. A document containing the proposed updated [Michigan Social Studies Standards side-by-side with the original 2007 Standards](#) is available for review. Please use the [online survey](#) to share feedback on the updated Social Studies Standards.

The MDE is sponsoring Listen & Learn sessions across the state. Remaining sessions are scheduled for Flint - June 18, Saginaw - June 19, Oakland ISD - June 20 and Sault St. Marie - June 26. All sessions will begin at 6:00 p.m. and last until 8:00 p.m. More information about the [Listen and Learn sessions](#) can be found on the Social Studies Standards website.

The purpose of the Listen & Learn sessions is to gather input from Michigan residents on the proposed updates. The Department wants to hear the thoughts of its residents. The information gathered from these sessions will be used by Feedback Panels comprised of Social Studies writers, members of the Focus Groups, and others to determine what changes, if any, should be made to the current draft.

Please refer any questions to Linda Forward at 517-241-3147.

cc: Michigan Education Alliance

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